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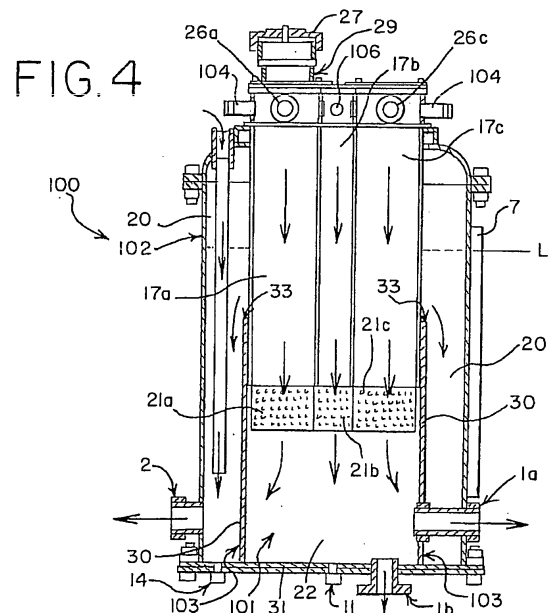
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(54) **Apparatus, system and method for monitoring fluid flows and/or filter conditions and/or distributing a single fluid**

(57) An apparatus, a system and a method monitor fluid flows and/or filter conditions and/or distribute a single fluid. The apparatus and the system supply and/or maintain fluid requirements of one or more hydraulic systems with the single fluid from a reservoir (100). The filtered inlets (26a-26c) transfer and/or add the single fluid to an interior of the reservoir. Each of the filtered inlets have a sensor (106) to monitor, to detect and/or to determine fluid flows and/or fluid conditions of the single fluid in and/or filter conditions of one or more filtered inlets. Distribution of the single fluid to one or more hydraulic systems is prioritized by a single fluid in a first volume (20) or in a second volume (22) of an interior of the reservoir. A partition (30) in the interior of the reservoir separates and/or forms the second volume (22) and the first volume (20) of the reservoir. The reservoir has one or more outlet ports (1a, 1b, 2) for distributing and/or for supplying the single fluid to one or more hydraulic systems.





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